Approval to Expend \$30,000 from the Historic Preservation Fund

Land Use and Housing Committee September 14, 2011

Background

- Fund established by Council July 2009
- Any and all potential grants, donations, fines, penalties, or other sources
- Comptroller authorized to appropriate funds
- Monies come to Council before expended
- Fund for architectural assistance, archaeological site protection, other historic preservation incentives consistent with the General Plan

- Proposed expenditures developed through HRB Subcommittee meetings late 2009 to May 2011 and approved by HRB July 2011
- Current balance of \$88,000
- Generated through stipulated agreements associated with code enforcement actions
- To date, no funds have been spent
- HRB recommends expenditure of \$30,000 during next two fiscal years

- Architectural assistance (\$5,000)
 - Homeowner education for "do it yourself" maintenance and repair for designated historic properties
 - Evening and Saturday workshops open to public
 - Notices/mailings; staff time; outside experts (window repair); printing Preservation Briefs or other materials

- Archaeological site protection (\$16,000)
 - Bird Bone Study for Presidio (\$6,000)
 - document the variety and relative proportions of bird resources; chicken husbandry practices; food preparation and patterns of consumption; and possible ethnicity and social status of Presidio inhabitants
 - Presidio Collections Management Plan Phase I (\$10,000)
 - verify the archaeological inventory and assess its condition; organize the collection; document and review data; determine size of collection

- CLG training for HRB Members and Staff (\$3,000)
 - Workshop/seminar open to public at no cost
 - Speakers' travel expenses, notices/mailings
- Improved technology for public access to historical resources data (\$2,000)
 - Staff time and software needs
 - Survey and project review data accessible to the public

- District signage (\$4,000)
 - \$150 each (FY11) City Store manufacture
 - Standard design approved by Policy/DAS and already within Burlingame, Mission Hills and Ft. Stockton
 - Two to four per historic district: Greater Golden Hill, Sherman Heights, Talmadge Gates, Shirley Ann Place, Naval Training Center, Islenair, and newly established districts

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Land Use and Housing Committee support the proposed expenditures of \$30,000 from the Historic Preservation Fund and forward the item to the full City Council for action